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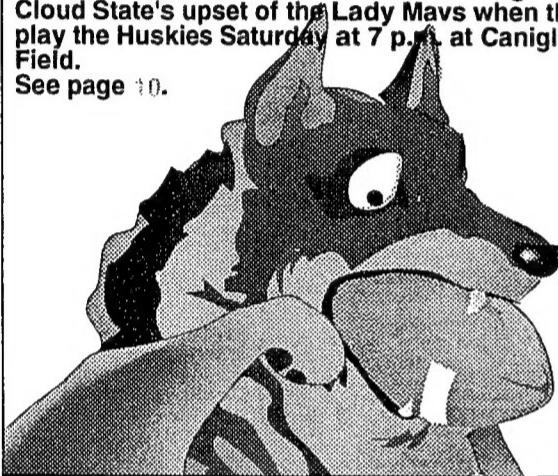
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Likewise, the football team looks to avenge St. Cloud State's upset of the Lady Mavs when they play the Huskies Saturday at 7 p.m. at Caniglia Field.

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North Dakota State hopes to fare better on the volleyball court than the gridiron as the Bison face the Lady Mavs tonight. See page 8.



Dorms, activities, greek system among What High School Students Really Want

By MARYLYNNE ZIEMBA

The following story is part one in a six-part series examining UNO's retention and recruitment problems. Next issue: What former UNO students who have transferred to other colleges feel could have been done differently and why they chose to leave UNO.

Almost every UNO student and faculty member has heard about UNO's problems with student retention and recruitment of top high school students. However, what still remains a mystery is not only what exactly students are looking for in a university, but also what it takes to keep them there.

During the last decade, UNO has made great improvements in the areas of academics and has improved the physical makeup of the university as well. Not only has the university grown physically, but its addition of several new programs and national recognition for excellence within areas of study such as business, psychology and international studies have all contributed to the university's success. These changes and improvements have not gone unnoticed from the Omaha area.

Burke High School Guidance Counselor Rod Brakke said, "UNO has come a long way. I think it's getting more representation and making more efforts to recruit students — a lot more students are staying in-

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Shuttle Service Helps Ease Parking Crunch

By RENEE NOVY

As candidates for Student Government and university administrators try to resolve the parking problem on UNO's campus, the shuttle system to the free parking area for UNO students at Aksarben remains a somewhat overlooked answer to the parking problem.

"I think a lot of students are afraid that they won't make it on time to their classes if they park at Aksarben," said Cindi Roberts, a sophomore. "I use the shuttle every day — I don't even have a parking permit. I have an 8:30 class in the morning, and I get here any time around 8 a.m. and can always make it to my class on time."

The shuttles run every day, from 6:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. While there is no charge to use the service, campus security will provide all students who park on Aksarben grounds the same emergency service and patrolling that are provided to those students who pay for parking permits said Paul Kosel, interim manager of Campus Security.

"The shuttles run in phases throughout the day," said Kosel.

The day begins with three buses at 6:30 a.m. that run until 8 a.m., then another shuttle at 8 a.m., when traffic picks up. Then four shuttles run until 9 a.m., when a fifth shuttle is added. Those five shuttles will run until 1 p.m., then every successive hour, one shuttle will drop out of circulation until at last, only two buses run until 6 p.m. This approach conforms to the heaviness of traffic between Aksarben to campus proper, he said.

"If things get busier earlier in the day, we'll add the other shuttles sooner than usual," Kosel said.

Despite the regularity of service, a small percentage of students make use of this service.

"Actually, the largest number of cars we've gotten down there this year was only 506 cars, at about 10 a.m., generally our peak time," Kosel said. "But we do provide any kind of assistance down there as we do on campus. We have officers patrol Aksarben about once an hour during peak periods, then we'll slack down the number of visits accordingly as cars leave throughout the day."

However, the students that use the service do so regularly.

"I see the same people from day to day," said Jeff Snow, a shuttle bus driver. "I guess these students find it easier to park at Aksarben than to hassle with trying to find an open space

Many UNO students not only realize that parking is free when they park at Aksarben, but that they can save time and energy from walking by using the shuttle bus system.

near the buildings they're headed for."

"I'm very glad the university provides this service," said Roberts, above the jerks and squeaks of the shuttle frame and its hydraulic systems. "If it came down to it, I'd pay for this service if I had to, because it's such a valuable service."

During the 20 minute round trip ride, Roberts told a story that illustrated the skepticism many students have towards the shuttle system.

"One time, towards the beginning of the year, I was in nutrition class and a classmate of mine arrived about a half-hour late. She was in tears. Apparently, she'd spent over an hour looking for a parking space and had finally given up. She drove all the way home and had her parents drop her off so she could finally make it to class," Roberts said.

"I asked her if she knew about the shuttle service and free parking at Aksarben. She'd been afraid of security down there, so she'd never tried it. I told her how it worked for me, and since then, I've seen her on the shuttle about six times now," Roberts said.

"You always have a shorter walk when you ride the shuttle. It always drops you off at the front door," said Kyle Wolfe, an engineering senior. "Especially in winter."

"Most of my passengers are appreciative — they all say 'hello' and 'thanks' when they get off," Snow said. "To me, it just shows that people are really appreciative of this service."

Of course, there are a few drawbacks to the shuttle system. The shuttles only run until 6 p.m., so they aren't avail-

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FORUM ANSWERS Initiative Questions

By BRIAN J. TODD

Recent meetings held by university administrators have left little doubt about how those who run UNO and the University of Nebraska feel about initiatives 411 and 412.

At the NU Board of Regents meeting held Saturday in Lincoln, the regents voted 7-1 to support a statement by University President L. Dennis Smith to oppose the initiatives.

An informational forum held Tuesday in the Milo Bail Student Center informed listeners on the reasons the university opposes 411 and 412.

The forum, which featured two speakers, Lee Rupp, NU vice president and director of Legislative Affairs and Natalie Peetz, vice president of Government Affairs for the Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce, gave faculty, staff and students a chance to hear concerns that have surfaced over the ballot initiatives with respect to higher education in the state of Nebraska.

"There can not be much support for initiatives 411 and 412 in higher education," said UNO Chancellor Del Weber.

NU Regent Nancy O'Brien said that initiative 411, which caps inequality K-12 education to be the state's top budget priority sounds good on the surface, but has hidden implications that make it dangerous to higher education and other important items in the state's budget.

Weber agreed. He said even though education is vital to the state, there are other programs in the state budget which are as important and should not be cut even for the sake of education.

O'Brien said the initiative would allow the courts to de-

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Natalie Peetz and Lee Rupp were panelists during the discussion on Ballot Initiatives 411 and 412 Tuesday morning in the Student Center.

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state now than they used to."

Melissa Hoenshell, a Burke High School senior, said, "UNO has an excellent reputation. I have heard nothing but good things about it."

However, campus administrators and faculty have begun to increase efforts not only to improve retention of students, but to increase the number of students coming to UNO that are graduating from the top of the classes from Omaha high schools.

Hoenshell said that at the end of her junior year, she was looking closely at UNL, but recently started looking at Creighton as a stronger possibility. She said the main factor that changed her mind happened when she heard about Creighton's Medical School has automatic admission for all Creighton students who earn a 3.6 grade point average every semester during college.

When students initially begin to look at colleges, there are many things that students look for in their 'ideal college.'

According to Burke High School Career Center Secretary De Schmierer, "A lot of students come in with a specific school in mind, but we always try to expand that. We try to encourage students to look at other schools and have a back-up school in mind."

The general consensus of many high school students in the Omaha area is that without dorms, UNO is one of the first colleges they drop from their list of choices.

"UNO is one of the first schools I ruled out because I didn't want to live at home or even have to pay for an apartment," said Jeff Shapiro, a Burke senior. "The addition of dorms would definitely be something that could draw more students to it."

Brakke agreed, saying, "Kids are looking for a social life and a little activity when they're at college. It will really help once UNO has dorms."

While many students say they want to go away to college and live in dorms, the majority also add that they don't want to go

too far away, either.

"They [students] want to get out of Nebraska and stay close to Nebraska at the same time," Shapiro said. "But they also seem to want a strong greek system, too."

Hoenshell agreed. "Activities-wise, a lot of people are looking for a school where there is always something to do or a lot of groups they can get involved in. A strong greek system never hurts, either."

According to Northwest High School Senior Millie Rush, her perception of UNO's image and its lack of dorms was what motivated her decision to look elsewhere for her postsecondary education.

"The fact that it doesn't have dorms made it non-attractive," Rush said. Nathan Gaskill, a Burke junior, said UNO's absence of dorms didn't dissuade him away from UNO. "I would still like to go to UNO and play football."

A school's atmosphere also is a strong factor for potential students. "Rankings don't really bother me," Hoenshell said. "I go by the feelings I get when I'm on campus."

Shapiro said that the fact UNO has so many non-traditional students doesn't make him think negatively about UNO. "I think that's cool, actually," Shapiro said. "I think it adds to the classes because they've had some experiences we haven't. I hope I have some of them in my classes when I go to college."

Recently, UNO has spent around \$8,000 on national ads in magazines such as *Sports Illustrated*.

"In all the ads and things I saw about UNO, there was never anything that really got my interest," Rush said.

Upperclassmen aren't the only students that are thinking ahead to college, however. Bellevue West freshman Kristin Milburn said that although UNO's absence of dorms dissuades her, things such as the accomplishments and reputation of her major also will plan an integral role in her decision.

Staff writer Savonda Johnson contributed to this report.

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cide what is "quality education" in the state, and would let them mandate unjustified spending on K-12 education.

For example, if a student in a rural school wanted to take calculus, but it was not offered in his school, the courts could order the school to hire a calculus teacher to teach one or two students if the court decided calculus was part of a "quality education", O'Brien said.

"There's a lot of nebulous feeling about what quality education is," she said.

Initiative 412 would put a cap on the property tax rates in Nebraska, O'Brien said. And while she said she would like to pay less in property taxes, O'Brien believes the shortfall in revenue could have dangerous effects in the budgets of many state agencies.

"Support for public schools in this state has come largely from property taxes," Weber said. "We (the University of Nebraska) get funded by income tax and sales tax."

But Weber said the property tax shortfall that Initiative 412 would cause could reach into the pockets of the university because of the mandate imposed by Initiative 411.

By capping property tax levels, the state could wind up with a half of a billion dollar revenue shortfall. Since this money is earmarked for public schools, and Initiative 411 requires the state to maintain spending to ensure a quality K-12 education, the money could come from the budgets of state agencies that receive sales and income tax funds, Weber said, like the university.

Weber said he had seen estimates as high as \$152 million in revenue shortfall for NU as a result of the initiatives.

O'Brien said that she had seen estimates ranging from \$25 million to \$100 million in revenue shortfall for the university. The larger sum being as much as some campuses in the NU system receive in a year.

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able for students with night classes. Due to the increasing infrequency of runs towards the end of the day, students can expect to wait a good 15 minutes before another shuttle comes along.

"The longest I've ever had to wait was a half hour," said Shannon Liedel, an International Studies senior. "Of course, sometimes if the bus that comes is too crowded, I'll wait for the next one to come. That can take 15-20 minutes, depending on the time of day — and that can seem like a very long time at the end of the day. But compared to the flights

I've seen break out on campus over parking spaces, this is worth it to me," Liedel said.

Liedel is not the only shuttle regular who feels this way.

"While other people spend their time before class, screaming and cursing over nonexistent open parking spaces, I get an extra 15 minutes in the morning that I can spend reviewing homework, drinking coffee or just staring out the window, relaxing," Roberts said. "When I get to class, I'm not upset over a stolen parking space. I'm fine."

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Palmistry Reveals Past, Present and Future

BY KARA SCHWEISS

With the help of a palmistry book and a little bit of practice, anyone can read their own fortune and predict that mysterious stranger or journey over water without having to cross a gypsy's hand with silver.

Commercial psychics often include palmistry as part of other fortunetelling services like crystal readings and tarot cards. Although anyone can pick up a palmistry book with detailed charts at any local bookstore, commercial palm readers charge for their services and usually claim to be clairvoyant.

"I'm a psychic. I was born with the gift. God put me in the world to do this," a local commercial psychic who identified herself only as Mrs. Williams said.

Another local professional, who identified herself only as Crystal, also said that she felt that her abilities were supernatural.

"This is a gift," she said.

Williams said that most people come to her when they are troubled or uncertain about their life at that moment.

"They want to know the best thing to do with their life. They are not happy. They need direction," she said.

Crystal said that she realized she was psychic when she was 5 years old, and that reading palms is like "reading a book."

"I tell them whatever it shows. I tell them whatever I see," she said of her clients. She added that she thought most of her clients seek out a reading "just for the fun."

Similarly, Williams said that she was only three years old when she recognized that she had psychic abilities.

"I could feel the vibrations going in my head," she said. "It runs in the family."

According to most do-it-yourself palmistry books, fortunetelling is an ancient art dating back to pre-recorded history. Palmistry originated with the idea that the hand is the microcosm of the human, with five fingers representing four limbs and a head. The human hand has great dexterity and an opposable thumb, which distinguishes it from that of other primates and makes it uniquely human.

Some palmists, like Crystal and Williams, perform psychic readings when reading the palm. Others rely on charts which identify the characteristics associated with specific features of the hand. Anyone who is interested in the information their own palm has to offer can consult these commercially available charts.

A thorough reading involves more than just the lines of

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the palm itself. The fleshy pads beneath each finger (mounts) are also significant, as well as the length and shape of the fingers, the segments of each finger, and the spacing between the fingers.

The flexibility of each digit, the shape of the palm, the back of the hand, the lines of the wrists (rascetta), and even the coloring of the hand can all be examined with the help of a chart. Surprisingly, most sources indicate that left- or right-handedness is insignificant, because in all individuals the left hand represents potential fate and the right hand actual fate.

A simple self-reading can be determined from the right hand as follows:

Life line — This line is closest to the thumb, and is created where the flesh folds when the thumb is flexed inward. A solid thick line that extends to the wrist generally indicates a long life and good health. A thin, broken, or weak line may mean health problems.

Love line — This line runs underneath the fingers toward the pinky. Multiple breaks and overlaps can be interpreted to mean many relationships, and a more solid line usually means one stable relationship.

Head line — Indicating mental and emotional state, this line is located between the life and love lines in the center of the palm. The ideal head lines has few breaks, because breaks and weak spots indicate stressful times.

Size — Hands that are disproportionately large usually show an independent spirit. Hands which are small in proportion to the person overall show someone who needs security and works well as part of a group.



The answers to problems, dilemmas and future successes can be found simply by looking at a person's palm, according to readers.

Color — The pale palm belongs to the impassive, logical individual. A person with reddish skin tones has a more passionate nature.

Flexibility — If the fingers bend backward from the hand at more than a 45-degree angle, the person is easily influenced. Lack of flexibility means strong convictions but a tendency to be close-minded. The more flexible the thumb, the more the actions of the person can be manipulated.

Palmistry can be taken seriously or used for mere entertainment. With a chart, some practice, and a willing suspension of disbelief, even a non-believer can try to predict their future.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Voting Not a Popularity Contest'

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to Tony John's comments in the *Gateway* last Friday. The *Gateway* has the right to report on a "public" figure on campus, especially one who is running for Student President/Regent. The *Gateway* looked at both sides and reported on what they had. The *Gateway* also has the right to endorse a candidate, just as other newspapers do.

The *Gateway* is out there on campus to help students get informed about the candidates.

One thing to remember when voting — this is NOT a popularity contest. This is about the BEST person for the job. Maybe if students would have had that mindset before voting on Oct. 16 and 17, we would have had two different candidates in the run-off elections.

Shannon Hoffman

'Difference Between Harassment and "Crying Wolf"

Dear Editor:

I am writing in regards to the accusations against student president candidate William Wade 'Wally' Waller. As a woman, I know that sexual harassment can be not only physically damaging, but mostly mentally disturbing. But women must realize is that there is a difference between sexual harassment and "crying wolf." It is the types of accusations that have been recently made against Waller that make the real harassment cases seem less legitimate. We as women need to stand up for our rights, but when situations like this occur, total respect for women is lost once again.

Having been acquainted with William Waller for some time, I have never had any complaints about his actions or behavior. I have experienced nothing less than complete respect and courtesy from him. I also feel that it is very "coincidental" that these accusations were made against Waller only days after the student Regent debate in which Waller spoke of his disapproval of the *Gateway* and the slanderous articles against him. Judging by the articles that have been currently published about opposing candidate Jason Winterboer, it is clear to see which candidate has the support of the *Gateway*.

As students, we have the right to see both candidates in an equal and unbiased light. I believe in freedom of the press, but when it comes to giving proper reports and respect to both candidates, the *Gateway* has failed miserably. Newspapers like the *Gateway* should be available to inform students about the debate and give proper and equal coverage of the candidates.

I urge students to be involved with this election with all factual information being available.

Teri Krommendyk
Sophomore business major

'Business College Excels in Teaching Bureaucracy'

Do you have a gripe with the CBA? Don't worry, a panel of "Good Ole Boys" will listen to what you have to say. It's easy, you go in, you are introduced to three faculty members, and two business students who are not intimidated by the faculty members. You are allowed to state your case. The instructor is allowed to justify his case. You and the instructor leave the room, and the panel decides Yea or Nay. So you get a fair shake right?

Not!

Sound like sour grapes? Not at all, I am merely calling it like I saw it. Been there, done that. My gripe: Summer class, six weeks, top of the class after five weeks, graded as a group on the last week, final grade low C.

Was that fair? Of course, the "Good Ole Boys" decided it was.

No, they were not watching each others' backs. They were not protecting their turf. The process of grade appeals is fair, they told me so. They said, "There should be no professional bias." Seriously, how could anyone think that a panel made up strictly from the CBA, be remotely considered biased when judging one of their own? Believe me, I wanted to believe that this was not true. I went through the process. I tried to believe that right would prevail. Wrong!

The Chancellor stated in his mission, that "The school is going to be sympathetic to individuals and their needs. That the school was committed to teaching individuals, not

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'If In Favor of Cutting Taxes... Vote Republican'

BY SEAN GUILFOYLE

November 5th is almost upon us, and that means two things. One, it's getting damn cold outside, and two, it's time to cast your ballots. Time to select those who you feel best represent your desires and beliefs. I would like to urge everyone to get out and vote, regardless of your party affiliation, or who you might select on your ballot. Voting is one of the most important rights we, as citizens of the United States, have in our power. So everyone, please find the time to vote (unless you are a Democrat. In that case, just stay home and continue watching television the whole day).

Why should you vote Republican?

A very good question, with a simple answer. If you are in favor of reducing your taxes, and trying to alleviate the burdens placed on you by government bureaucracies, you should vote Republican. If you want more money in your pocket to spend, instead of Bill Clinton and his liberal assembly, vote Republican. But, most importantly, if you believe in upholding the Constitution and the ideals and values for which it stands, you should vote Republican.

Why is it important to elect Bob Dole and Jack Kemp to the White House?

I am astounded by the irreverent disregard for the issue of character. Is there no one with any ounce of morality left in their pathetic, little bodies? How can we possibly consider re-electing someone who is a draft-dodger, a womanizer, is being investigated for criminal activities, and who lies (well, most Democrats do)! We would not consider hiring someone with this track record to teach our children, yet we allow this man to try and brainwash the world with his liberal schemes?

Let's not forget the fact that Bubba...er, President Clinton could be re-elected (please God, no!) and indicted on criminal charges. That would then put the steering wheel of the White House in the hands of...Al Gore? It won't be Hillary, since she will be raking her metal cup against the cold, steel bars of a prison cell, right alongside the President.

Do not tell me I am simply trying to bring down the accomplishments of President Clinton. His only accomplishment was smoking marijuana and not inhaling. That is some feat! Drug use has skyrocketed among teenagers, and we have a Commander-In-Chief who said if he had it to do all over again, he would. Nice role model.

I have previously written about Chuck Hagel and Jon Christensen. They are the building blocks on which our country can stand, rising above all others in triumph. Morality was never questioned of these two men. Neither was the word "trust."

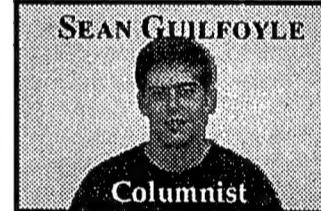
Trust. Can we really trust politicians? Here are the facts: Bill Clinton promised a tax-cut for the middle class...ever seen it? Governor Ben Nelson pledged to alleviate the property tax mess...has that happened? James Martin Davis says he is tough on crime, yet has defended drug dealers and assault weapon users time and time again. We cannot

trust these men. They speak what we want to hear, and then follow party politics when they get to Washington.

Everyone wants lower taxes. Everyone wants more money to spend on the things they need. Everyone wants to lessen the watch of "big brother" government, overlooking our every step. These are the foundations of the Republican Party. Look no further. It is in black and white, and it is the truth. Do not be deceived by pseudo-conservative Democrats who pretend to represent these ideas. They only do this because they realize these are the things we want. The Republicans represent these ideas, and are not ashamed to say it. They recognize wasteful spending and outrageous tax schemes and take evasive action to correct those mistakes made by Democrats.

Republicans are not about helping "big business" and forgetting about the middle class. They realize how integral the middle class is, and that is why they are proposing tax cuts for those who really need it. Enterprising and small businesses comprise two-thirds of the economic infrastructure, and it is important to help aid those who create jobs for the middle class.

As you pull the curtain closed in your voting booth, make sure to fill in the little ovals correctly. A correct ballot will have darkened marks by every Republican candidate. An incorrect ballot will have darkened marks next to any Democratic candidate. In case of incorrectly filling out the ballot, please ask for a new one, and follow the correct polling procedures. If you feel you are still unable to "correctly" fill out your ballot, simply tear it up and go home. Your television is patiently waiting for you.



Opinions & Editorials

When Can I Vote?

By MICHELLE McGINNIS

Election Day is quickly approaching. On November 5, 1996, people from all walks of life will get the chance to select the first president of the 21st century.

Voting is not only a privilege, but a right. Imagine — we have the power to elect the next president of the United States of America. Unfortunately, a few consider this privilege a hindrance.

One of my good friends is not a registered voter and does not plan to vote in the upcoming elections. During a heated conversation, she voiced her opposition to the whole political system and the individuals who hold political offices. According to my friend, these career politicians will say and do anything to be elected. Their words are meaningless once they are in office. Everything remains the same. She said, "It appears that Clinton and Dole are grasping for votes. They tend to cater to their audience and forget their stand on many issues. One day they might support an issue. The following day their stand changes. It is evident that both candidates are lacking consistency."

I tried to stress the importance of voting. For years women and minorities were unable to vote. Now that we have the opportunity, we should take advantage of our natural born right. My words fell on closed ears. Needless to say, she was not convinced.

Although this is an individual's point of view, many American citizens share the same feeling. They have lost trust in the people who run our government.

Current polls are reflecting this trend. Regardless of age and race, people are unable to commit to a political party or even vote. The American citizens do not support their candidates wholeheartedly. They may agree on some issues, but not in all areas. This indecisiveness is causing many question the candidates and their campaigning tactics.

The negative campaigns and mud-slinging depict an unattractive view of politics. Moreover, they confirm my friend's opinion on politics. You can not turn on the television or

read the paper without hearing about Clinton's or Dole's current ratings. Every day the evening news or newspapers report about what Clinton or Dole did today on the campaign trail, what they said about this issue,

or what so and so said about their opponent's weaknesses.

President Clinton's and Dole's campaign tactics have become too repetitious. If I hear one more speech about building a bridge toward a better tomorrow,

I am going to scream. Whatever the approach, the candidates are not gaining votes, but losing the interest of the American public.

One of my co-workers repeatedly questions my political opinion. He wants to know what party I belong to and who I am going to vote for on Election Day. I intentionally avoid his questions. My political association is not related to my job. My refusal to comment on politics is not a deterrent. It drives him even more.

One day I grew tired and said, "I am glad that you feel so strongly for your candidate and his political party. If you want to campaign for your candidate, I am sure that there is a local party looking for more volunteers. I'll be glad to find the phone number for you."

Ever since that conversation, he makes it a point to avoid me.

I am excited about the upcoming election. My friend's and co-worker's opinions are not going to affect my voting decision. The media and negative campaign tactics mean nothing to me. I do not want to know about what they do behind closed doors — unless it affects their job performance. I want to know how President Clinton and Dole can prepare our country for the 21st century. Major issues need to be addressed, not scandals. I'll be watching and listening until Election Day.

MICHELLE
McGINNIS
Columnist

Women Need to Realize Real Differences, Duties

Staff Editorial

By MARYLYNNE ZIEMBA

As a former columnist, I have received letters to the editor about my columns, from one broad spectrum to another — yet, I have never felt the need, much less the desire, to respond to a single one.

However, something has just changed my mind.

I am referring to a recent letter to the editor in which the student writes: "But what women must realize is that there is a difference between sexual harassment and 'crying wolf.' It is the types of accusations...that make the real harassment cases seem less legitimate."

Wait a second...

Were you there? Do you know what happened?

Yes, we as women do need to realize that there is a difference between fact and fiction, but we also need to realize that there are many legitimate cases of sexual harassment and unless we were present, were a witness or even a victim, we have no place whatsoever placing a judgment on whether the incident is 'legitimate' or not. You see, this is what we have judges and juries for.

Sexual harassment is degrading, dehumanizing and a violation of a person's rights. Because of these obvious circumstances, it is ridiculous, if not outright ludicrous, for someone, especially a woman, to feel that she has the right to discount or even take away altogether another woman's rights.

In addition, the author of the letter even went on to say: "We as women need to stand up for our rights, but when situations like this occur, total respect for women is lost once again."

Yes, women do need to stand up for our rights, and this includes standing up for other women who are victims, not simply passing judgment on these women for superficial and ignorant reasons. Unfortunately, there are too many people out there who still continue to believe that sexual harassment isn't insulting, dangerous and is to be taken lightly — we don't need to add women to the ranks of those fools.

To this woman, I ask: What if you were the victim of sexual harassment, assault or even rape? Would you still take reports of these incidents lightly? How would you feel, hearing other women question not only the validity of your suffering, but your intentions behind reporting it?

There are many women, and men, who need to wake up and realize not only that these cases do occur, but that there is nothing preventing them from happening to you, too.



"What is the meaning of life?"



Karen Bahr
International studies
major



Terry McWilliams
Student Programming
Organization Advisor



Javine Horani
Senior business
management major



Jeremy Earl
Junior communication
major

"I don't think life has one specific meaning -- it means something different to everyone or maybe it has no meaning at all."

"Life is how you live it."

"Happiness, comfort, friendship and love."

"There is none. Maybe it sounds a bit nihilistic, but that question covers all too many areas to be condensed into any one simplistic answer."

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numbers."

The Chancellor is a politician, plain and simple. He is the Top Administrator, and the policy maker. The Dean is a Desktop Administrator, his job is to guide policy intentions into policy actions. The instructor is a Street level Bureaucrat, his job is to implement the policy of the Chancellor. Yes, this theory only works if someone is held accountable.

If no one is held accountable, then the mission and or policy is nothing more than political smoke.

Understanding the needs and problems of individuals, and helping them achieve their goals is something this university should be concerned with. After all, if the instructor teaches these things, should he not also practice them?

Does the protective armor of "Tenure" have anything to do with ambiguous teaching and grading by an instructor? Certainly not, UNO's instructors do not hide behind "The shield of Tenure." Nor are they resistant to changing and improving their teaching methods.

What? You say you had to take a class twice, because your instructor was a "Butthead." He did not appear concerned about the problems and needs of individuals? But that would be contrary to the supposed mission of the school.

Come on business students, you have heard the rumors about the outside interests of some instructors, and the possible conflict with the school's interests. Have you ever had an assignment that you worked very hard on, and it was not collected because the instructor was too busy with other things? The term is "Role-Overload," in common language it is called "Having too many irons in the fire." Surely you did not expect that all the instructors were only there for you? Wake Up! Smell the coffee! Students are consumers, we are paying for a professional service. Normally we shop around before selecting a service provider. Past performance, and references are important in our decision.

Ever try to access this information about an instructor? How about the number of complaints filed against an instructor? Don't go there, can't do that! We are reduced to making our decisions via word-of-mouth from other students. Our decisions are therefore based on gossip, rumors, and perceptions. Pretty sad, isn't it?

If you are a new or non-traditional student, and do not have access to this vast amount of information, you risk paying for the services of a less-than-favorable provider.

Is there a way to change the culture of this organization? Only if we demand that policy is properly implemented, and that administrators as well as instructors are held accountable in the implementation of the policy.

Recently, a District Judge rapped the University of Idaho, for intentionally lacking any clear direction. Judge John Bengtson ordered the school to make student evaluations of faculty available for publication. The school was being sued over the right to publish the evaluations in the student newspaper. Things can change, but we have to stand up to the organization to get them changed.

If we don't, we will continue to invest a lot of time and money into an organization that we are not content with. We will continue to take and pay for classes twice, and continue to feel helpless when dealing with problems within this organization.

In closing, I must say that with one exception, the administrative people that I had to deal with during my ordeal, all left me with the same comforting words: "Don't let this unfortunate experience stop me from signing up for additional classes at UNO."

Concerned student and parent of a student
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Encoded Pencils Sold To Test-Takers

BY COLLEEN DEBAISE

College Press Service

NEW YORK - Federal officials say some college students taking graduate admission tests this fall paid thousands of dollars for pencils that they hoped would sharpen their scores.

A California man was charged with fraud Oct. 27 after federal investigators said he helped people cheat on graduate admission exams by encoding their pencils with the answers.

George Kobayashi, 45, charged students as much as \$6,000 for his "unique" method of preparing them for the GMAT, GRE and other required tests through his company, "America Test Center," according to the complaint filed in Manhattan federal court.

Kobayashi allegedly hired a team of experts to take each exam in New York. Relying on the three-hour time difference, the expert test-takers telephoned the answers to Kobayashi's office in Los Angeles, where the answers were quickly coded onto pencils given to his clients, federal officials said.

"This defendant enriched himself by playing on the insecurities of young people at an anxious time in their lives," said Mary Jo White, a Manhattan U.S. attorney. "The victims here are not only the universities that accepted students who cheated on their admissions tests, but the honest students who perhaps did not get into the school of their choice because they were displaced by someone who cheated."

The scam was witnessed by an undercover federal investigator who employed Kobayashi's services and flew to Los Angeles to take the GMAT on Oct. 19.

The Educational Testing Service, which administers more than 9 million admission exams each year, worked with federal investigators for about a year and a half to bring charges against Kobayashi.

"We're delighted in the sense that the system works," said Mercedes Morris Garcia, an ETS spokesperson. "About 100 students are believed to have used his company to cheat on graduate admission exams, she said.

"We have a pretty good idea who was involved in this," Garcia said. "We'll take it case by case. There will be serious repercussions down the line."

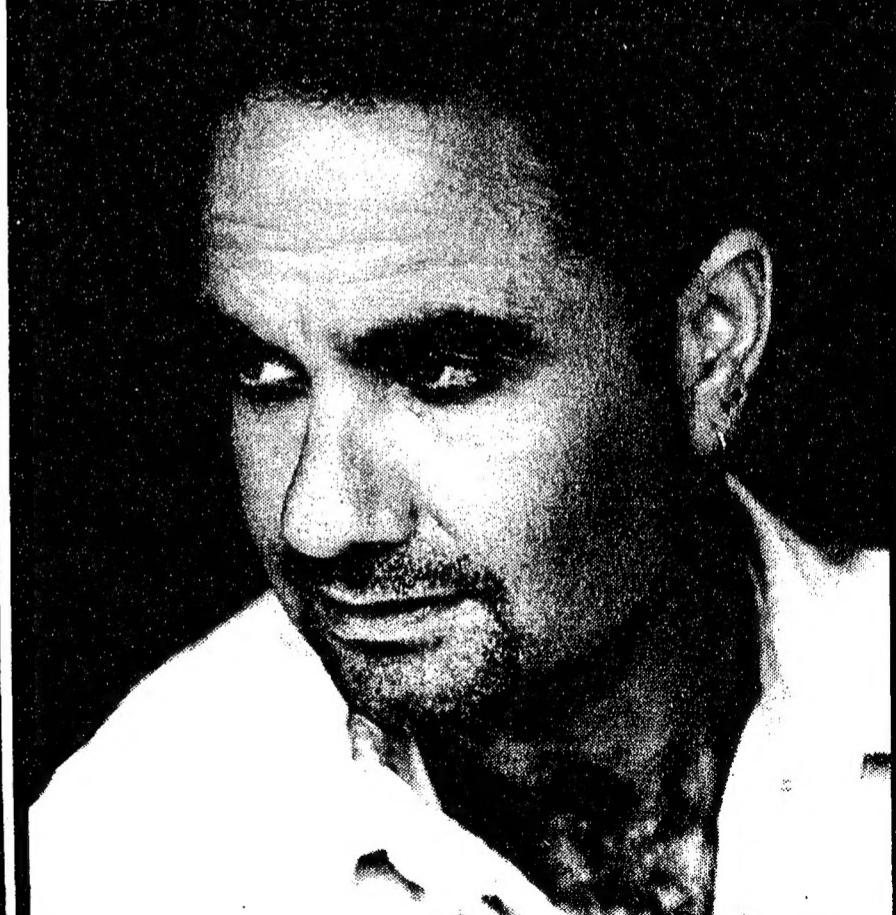
ETS has confronted similar cheating schemes, according to Garcia. "In the past 10 years, we've had serious cases involved with the time-zone difference," she said. "This is more elaborate in the sense that it involves coding pencils."

Garcia would not comment on whether the company was changing its security measures or test procedures.

Patricia Taylor, assistant general counsel at ETS, said: "We take test security very seriously at ETS, and welcome the opportunity to work with federal officials in the future to strike a blow against test fraud."

If convicted, Kobayashi faces a maximum sentence of five years in prison on each of two counts of mail and wire fraud, and a maximum fine of \$250,000 or twice his gross gain from the scheme, whichever is greater.

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Mav of the Month, Thompson, Coming Off Record Game

BY TONY REINKE

UNO Head Coach Pat Behrns doesn't have a huge office but it's big enough for game-balls with dates inscribed. One of the pigskins dates to Sept. 23, 1996 — the day UNO toppled North Dakota State, the No. 1 team in the country.

But there have been surprises behind those upsets and UNO's No. 1 rank in the North Central Conference. Quarterback Ed Thompson, for one.

For a first-year quarterback, leading a football team to a 7-1 record and breaking a 29-year old record of yards in a game isn't too bad of a rookie season. That's what the sophomore quarterback has done.

"Sometimes at quarterback, you don't have to be real flashy," UNO Head Coach Pat Behrns said, "if you can avoid the big mistakes."

And that is what Thompson does. Along with 9 touchdowns strikes, he has thrown only 1 interception all year which has helped him to the second best quarterback ranking in the conference.

Despite ranking towards the bottom in passing yards, Thompson has brought the option game into vogue.

What Thompson brings to the team is another running back.

"Ed brings a new dimension to our game with the option," Behrns said. "That is something that we have been trying to phase in the past two years."

Thompson phased the option in a hurry, especially last week. Early in the first quarter against Augustana he ran for 73-yard touchdown. Before the game was over, he had a 48-yard run for a score and 225 yards on the ground.

"He knows how to make decisions to get the ball in the endzone — but he's not very flashy," Behrns said.

Despite last weekend's win, Thompson has been more modest.

Although he is No. 4 in the conference in total yardage, Thompson is not the most prolific passer. That he is the second rated quarterback in the conference is a surprise considering he was a receiver last year. As a freshman, Thompson caught 29 passes for 426 yards and 5 touchdowns.

Thompson started practicing as quarterback in the last two games.

"There was no doubt that we were going to start him at quarterback," Behrns said. "He had a shot at being our future."

Thompson gained the starting role leading the Mavs' 7-1 start.

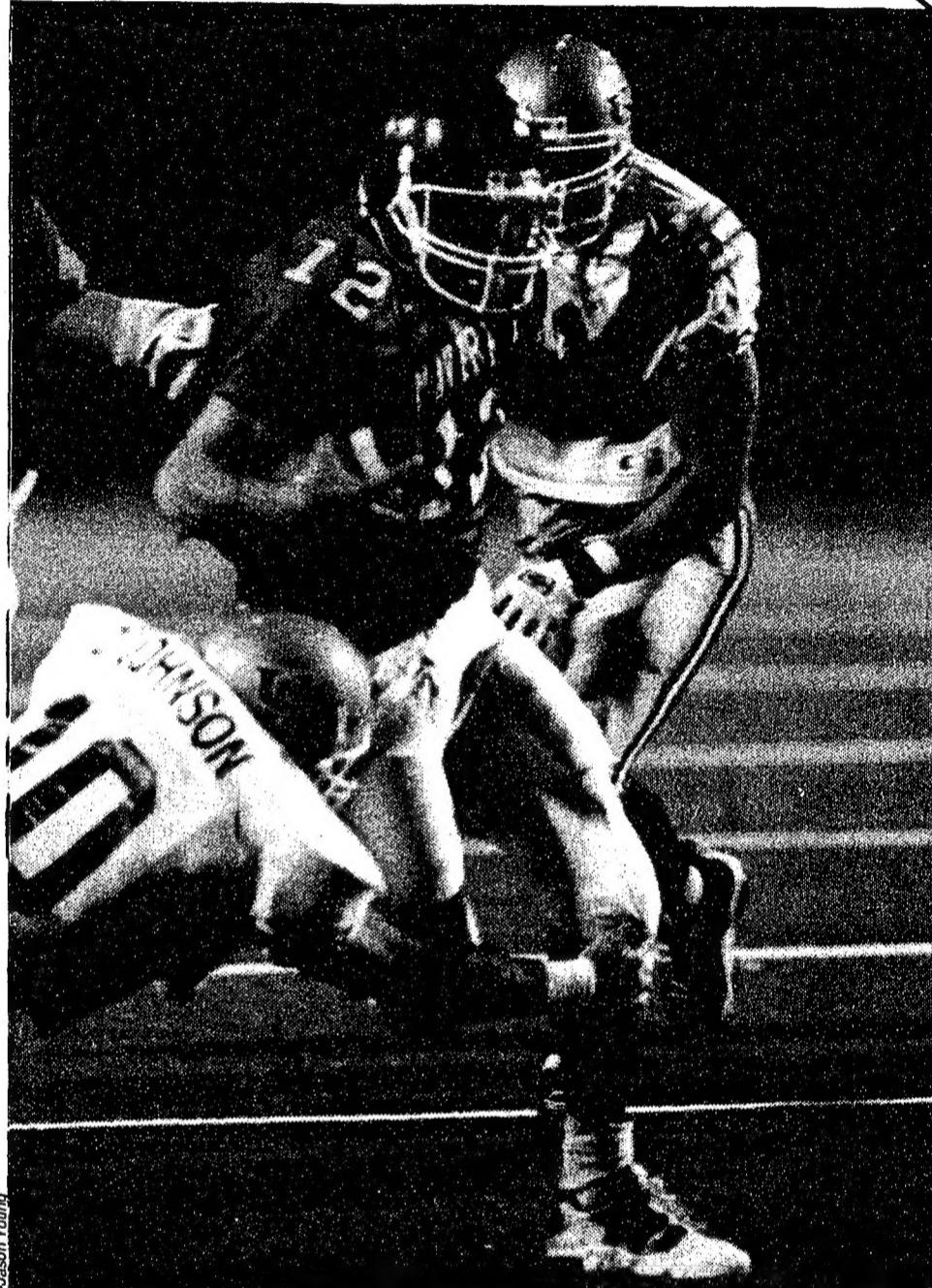
"He kept his composure and made some big plays," Behrns said. "He put the ball in the hands of the right people and they made the plays."

And those decisions have earned the Mavs a No. 5 ranking in the country.

"We can't let it sink-in," Behrns said. "The rankings won't matter if we don't win this game."

And with Thompson, there is a good chance they will.

"Someday we'll put the ribbon on him," Behrns said, "but for now, he's got a lot of work to do."



Sophomore quarterback Ed Thompson is ranked No. 4 in the conference for total yards. Formerly seated in the basement of the conference last year, the Mavs are currently ranked No. 1 in the North Central Conference.

Bitloft Honored As October Lady Mav of the Month

By KATHY DALY

As the moon begins to say goodnight, a UNO Maverick begins her day. Each morning, before the sun comes up, she's literally up and running. Her day starts at 6:30 a.m. with a morning run, and won't end until 12:00 a.m. that night. So who is this young lady who has more energy than the sun? She's November's Maverick of the Month, Tara Bitloft.

Bitloft graduated in 1995 from Nelson High School in Nelson, Neb. She was not only involved in track but also volleyball, basketball, band, choir, cheerleading, and drama. Although Nelson High was a small school and didn't have a cross country team, Bitloft found herself being offered a scholarship to run for UNO's cross country team. Tim Hendricks, Bitloft's coach, said "Tara

was not only a good long distance runner, but a good runner with little experience. I knew she would improve in her long distance running if she focused on it and worked hard over the summer. Which indeed she did do."

Bitloft has worked hard all summer, and it certainly shows. This year she's UNO's first runner, has made the North Central Conference (NCC) player of the week two weeks in a row, and won her last meet at South Dakota State University last Saturday, when she ran the 5,000-meter in 17:59.2 minutes. Last year, Bitloft was UNO's second runner and also qualified for Nationals. Bitloft said that her most memorable meet was last year at Nationals. While she was in the middle of a meet she lost her contact lens and had to run the rest of the meet with her contact lens in her

mouth. This year, however, qualifying for Nationals will be harder. This year, only two will qualify for Nationals instead of four, like last year. Hendricks says that three to four people who made the meet last year won't make it this year. The schools competing this year for Nationals are South Dakota State, North Dakota State, University of North Dakota and UNO.

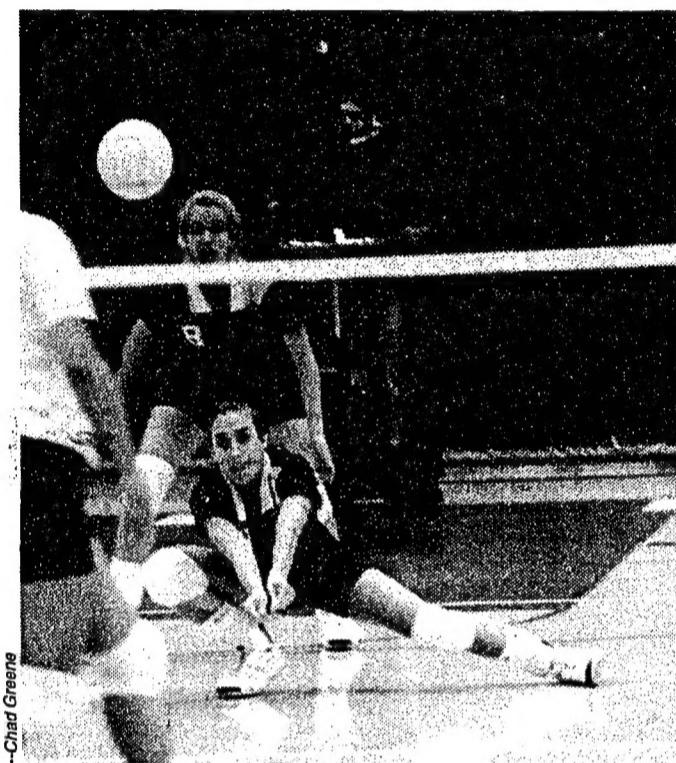
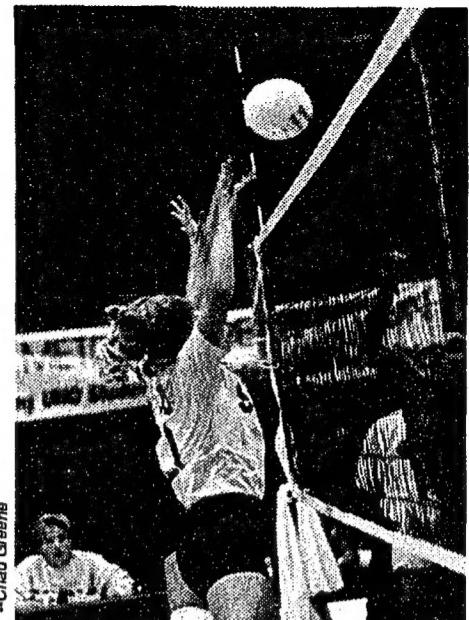
Bitloft is not only a great athlete, but also a honor student with a current 4.0 GPA in biology. "I enjoy biology because I love working with animals. I have liked working with blood and guts since I was little." So how does Bitloft find time to fit everything into a single day? Bitloft says that she gets this "fly-by-the-seat-of-my-pants" attitude from her mother, who is always on the go. Both of

Bitloft's parents are very proud of their daughter. Her mother was "unbelievably excited" about her daughter's achievements and her father tries to attend every meet and is always supportive.

Tara Bitloft has a lot to be proud of this year, and says she couldn't have done it without her teammates and her "extra dad," Coach Hendricks. Hendricks, earlier in this season, said, "With everyone returning and four outstanding freshmen, we are shooting to finish in the top two or three in the NCC and top four to five in the NCAA regional meet. We will be much stronger from our third runner on down than we've ever been. Elise and Tara will be even stronger than last year."

Junior Kim Gerdes (#9 in photo at right) is a leading hitter in the North Central Conference.

Defensive specialist Jamie Shafer and Erin Shafer (#8 in photo below) have helped guide UNO to a 24-2 record.



Volleyball Team in Tight Race for Conference Crown

BY TONY REINKE

The Lady Mav volleyball team is stuck in a three-way battle for the conference crown, with a showdown headed to Omaha on Sunday.

Augustana — tied for first in the conference with North Dakota State — will strut an eight-game winning streak to the Fieldhouse Saturday when they face the 11-2 Lady Mavs.

"We really felt that the team which wins the region would lose five matches," UNO Head Coach Rose Shires said. "Which is why the records of the top four teams were surprising."

The top three teams in the North Central Conference are a combined 33-4. Augustana and NDSU are 11-1, with UNO in third place. No. 4 St. Cloud State is 9-5 and may have too much ground to claim for the championship, leaving a three-way race.

"The last three or four weekends of the season, teams are going to be splitting as opposed to winning both like they may have before," Shires said. "Everything is so tight now — as it has always been — but the pressure is on and it's how teams respond to it."

The Lady Mavs will step into a pressure cooker on Saturday against Augustana (game time 6 p.m.). The Vikings are No. 8 in the country. Tuesday, they defeated NDSU, the No. 3 team in the country, which forced the tie for first place.

"We are very focused and committed to what we want to do," Shires said. "Especially since Augustana beat North Dakota State, we are back in the conference championship hunt."

And they're ready to return home, too.

Both losses of the conference season came on the road — one at North Dakota State and one at St. Cloud State. Heading into the final month of the regular season, UNO will play their final five NCC matches, as well as an important regional match with Minnesota-Duluth in the Fieldhouse.

The Lady Mavs are coming off a loss to St. Cloud State last Saturday in Minnesota, a match that was in the hands of the Lady Mavs. After winning games 2 and 3 with scores of 15-8 and 15-1, St. Cloud came back to win the final two. The loss snapped UNO's four-match winning streak.

"We didn't keep our concentration," Shires said. "We allowed a team to come back and beat us — that is not the usual UNO volleyball team."

Senior Amy Steffel and the UNO volleyball team will try to start another streak on Friday when they host South Dakota State (game time 7 p.m.). UNO took care of the Jackrabbits in 3 games on Oct. 5, the last time they met. UNO defeated Augustana the night before in three games as well.

Friday's match will be one of only six remaining at the Fieldhouse for setter Amy Steffel. The Minnesota native is the school's leader in assists for a career and is 83 shy of 5,000 — a mountain only 12 NCAA Division II players have ever climbed.

"Amy Steffel has picked up her game," Shires said. "She has put a lot of energy in finishing her senior year strong and bring her team along with her."

Behind Steffel rests the second-best hitting and blocking team in the NCC. Tanya Cate, the second leading hitter in the conference (.400) and Kim Gerdes who ranks No. 6 (333) lead the charge. Gerdes is No. 3 in blocks (1.36 a game) and Erin Shafer is No. 4 in kills per game (4.09).

UNO teams under Shires have never won more than 27 matches or lost less than 9.

The battle charge is gearing for one final month and the pressure is on.

Red vs. White Scrimmage Kicks Off Hoops Season

BY MARYLYNNE ZIEMBA

The Maverick men's basketball team kicked off their season with an intrasquad scrimmage Wednesday night. The Mavs, alternating between the white and red teams during four separate quarters, finished out the scrimmage with the red team on top, 90-66.

In a statement released after the game, Head Coach Kevin Lehman said, "We got a good look at a lot of people in different situations. We got a chance to play different combinations and now we have a fairly clear picture of where we need to improve."

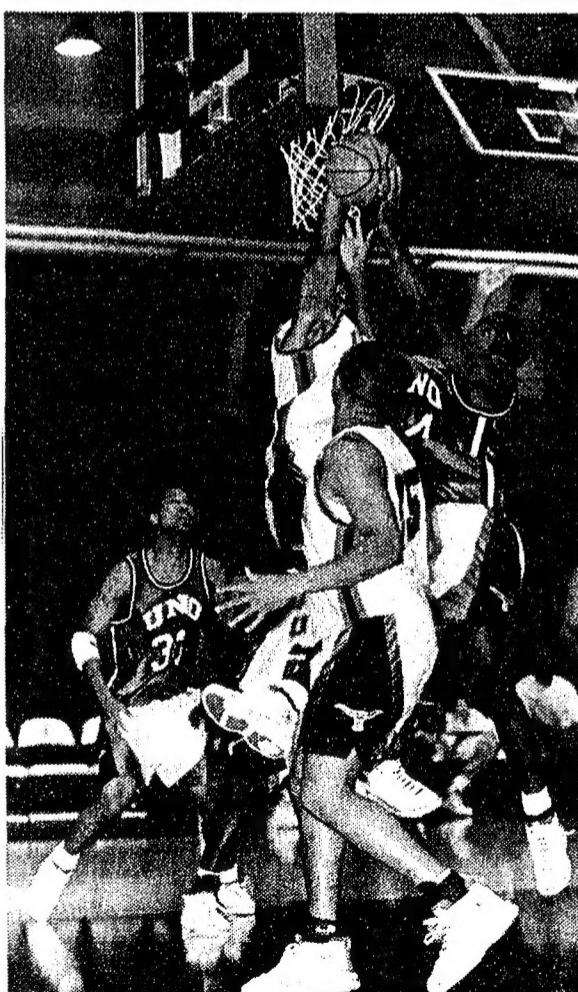
The Mavs' leading scorer was returning guard Shadric Thomas. Thomas scored 23 points and had 4 rebounds, followed by freshman guard Mike Simons with 22 points.

Michael Rieves, another returning player who redshirted last year due to injury, was the leading rebounder with 10 rebounds. Rieves also had 5 points.

As a team, the Mavs were 48 percent on field goals, 47 percent on three-point shots and 45 percent on free throws.

The Mavs' next match-up will be Nov. 5 against Rose City Express from Canada. The exhibition game will begin at 7 p.m. in the UNO Fieldhouse.

UNO: Watkins 0-4 0-0 0, Thomas 10-19 1-2 23, McLarty 5-7 2-2 13, Clark 4-11 0-0 8, Box 1-8 0-0 2, Jones 1-3 0-0 2, Smith 5-11 0-0 11, Waller 0-1 0-0 1, Simons 10-15 2-5 22, Kloewer 4-9 4-4 13, Rieves 2-5 1-2 5, West 2-3 0-0 4, Burrell 3-4 1-2 7, Green 7-13 0-0 16, Smith 6-10 0-0 12, Trapkus 2-6 0-0 4, Thompson 5-11 0-0 13. Team (combined) 67-140 8-17 156.



Robert Green (#44 in dark jersey) powers it up during an intrasquad scrimmage Wednesday night. The Mavs will play Rose City Express next Tuesday in the Fieldhouse at 7 p.m.

Lady Mav Volleyball Faces SDSU and Augustana

South Dakota State - Tonight at 7 p.m. in the UNO Fieldhouse. SDSU is 17-11 overall and 5-6 in the conference.

Augustana - Saturday night in the UNO Fieldhouse. The Vikings are 11-1 in the conference and tied for first with NDSU.

Lady Mav Starters for the Weekend

setter: Amy Steffel

(5-7, Sr., Maplewood, MN, 13.17 apg, 2.82 dpg)

mid. blocker: Tanya Cate

(5-10, Jr., Yutan, NE, 3.51 kpg, 2.54 dpg)

mid. blocker: Kim Gerdes

(6-0, Jr., Denver, CO, 2.62 kpg, 1.30 dpg)

outside hitter: Erin Shafer

(5-9, Jr., Colorado Springs, CO 3.67 kpg, 3.07 dpg)

outside hitter: Christyn Malone

(5-9, Jr., Palisade, NE 2.99 kpg, 2.69 dpg)

def. specialist: Jamie Shafer

(5-7, Soph., Omaha, NE 2.47 dpg)

1996-1997 Stats

1996-1997 Mav Football Schedule

North Central Conference		
NCC	Over	GB
UNO	5-1-0	7-1-0
SDSU	5-1-0	6-2-0
S. Dakota	4-2-0	5-2-0
St. Cloud	3-3-0	4-4-0
N. Colorado	3-3-0	5-3-0
S. Dakota	3-3-0	4-3-0
NDSU	3-3-0	4-3-0
Augustana	2-4-0	3-5-0
Mankato	2-4-0	3-5-0
Morningside	0-6-0	1-7-0

St. Cloud vs. UNO

Comparison in the NCC

St. Cloud St. (3-3) at UNO (5-1)
 No. 4 - PLACE IN NCC - No. 1
 Won 3 - STREAK - Won 5
 No. 2 - RUSHING OFFENSE - No. 4
 No. 5 - PASSING OFFENSE - No. 8
 No. 3 - TOTAL OFFENSE - No. 7
 No. 6 - SCORING OFFENSE - No. 7
 No. 7 - RUSHING DEFENSE - No. 3
 No. 4 - PASSING DEFENSE - No. 5
 No. 5 - TOTAL DEFENSE - No. 4
 No. 7 - SCORING DEFENSE - No. 1

INJURIES: LB Demetrius Richards (knee) out for game, most likely out for the season; QB Curtis Miller (broken leg) out for the season as well; LB Cedric Welch (knee) is day-to-day.

UNO in the NCC

RUSHING OFFENSE - No. 4; 190.8 yards per game average with 10 touchdowns.
 PASSING OFFENSE - No. 8; 133.0 yards per game average with 8 touchdowns.
 TOTAL OFFENSE - No. 7; 323.8 yards per game average.
 SCORING OFFENSE - No. 7; UNO scores 23.8 points per game.
 RUSHING DEFENSE - No. 3; The UNO defense has allowed only 137.0 yards per game to opponents and 7 touchdowns.
 PASSING DEFENSE - No. 5; UNO allows 162.0 yards per game and 4 touchdowns this season through the air.
 TOTAL DEFENSE - No. 4; The Mavs allow 299.0 yards per game to NCC opponents.
 SCORING DEFENSE - No. 1; Only 13.3 points, on average, have been put-up against the UNO defense.
 UNO, Individual

RUSHING - Melvin McPhaul, No. 10; averages 63.2 yards per game and averages 4.9 a carry.
 PASSING - Ed Thompson, No. 2; his 132.2 rating is second in the conference despite being No. 7 in passing yards.
 RECEIVING - MarTay Jenkins, No. 10; Averages 3.5 catches per game with 485 yards and 5 touchdowns.
 PUNTING - Ed Thompson, No. 5, and Mike Borrall, No. 6; Thompson averages 39.7 yards per punt and Borrall averages 35.8.
 INTERCEPTIONS - Pat Davis, No. 1; along with 10 others in the conference, Davis averages .33 interceptions per game.
 TOTAL OFFENSE - Ed Thompson, No. 4; has 1123 yards this season.
 KICKOFF RETURNS - Jake Young, No. 7; averaging 22.0 yards per return.
 PUNT RETURNS - Jake Young, No. 3; averaging 13.6 yards per return.

1996-1997 Maverick Basketball Schedule

November		
5 Rose City	7:00	Omaha
12 Converse AS	7:00	Omaha
18 Midland	7:00	Omaha
22 Wayne State	7:00	Omaha
25 Iowa Wesl.	7:00	Omaha
29-30 at Huron Tournament		
December		
7 Presentation	7:00	Omaha
9 St. Mary KS	7:00	Omaha
14 Dakota State	8:05	Omaha
21 Neb-Kearney	7:30	Kearney
28 Morningside	8:00	Sioux City, IA
29 S. Dakota	8:00	Vermillion, SD
January		
3 Mankato St.	8:05	Omaha
4 St. Cloud	8:05	Omaha
10 SDSU	8:00	Brookings, SD
11 Augustana	6:00	Sioux Falls, SD
18 N. Colorado	8:00	Omaha
24 NDSU	8:00	Omaha
25 UND	8:00	Omaha
31 St. Cloud	8:00	St. Cloud, MN
February		
1 Mankato St.	8:00	Omaha
7 Augustana	8:05	Omaha
8 SDSU	8:00	Omaha
15 N. Colorado	7:00	Greeley, CO
21 UND	5:00	Grand Forks, ND
22 NDSU	5:50	Fargo, ND
28 S. Dakota	6:00	Omaha

21 UND	8:00	Grand Forks, ND
22 NDSU	8:50	Fargo, ND
28 S. Dakota	8:05	Omaha
<i>March</i>		
1 Morningside	8:00	Omaha

1996-1997 Lady Mav Basketball Schedule

November		
16 Exhibition	2:00	Omaha
24 Grand View	2:00	Omaha
29-30 02TV Tourney		Omaha
29 Moorhead	7:30	Omaha
29 NW Mo.	5:30	Omaha
December		
5 Grnd Cnyon	8:00	away
6 San Fran	8:30	away
11 Midland	7:00	Omaha
14 UNKearney	7:30	Kearney
21 Hastings	7:00	Hastings
28 Morningside	6:00	Sioux City, IA
29 S. Dakota	6:00	Vermillion, SD
January		
3 Mankato St.	6:00	Omaha
4 St. Cloud	6:00	Omaha
10 SDSU	6:00	Brookings, SD
11 Augustana	6:00	Sioux Falls, SD
18 N. Colorado	6:00	Omaha
24 NDSU	6:00	Omaha
25 UND	6:00	Omaha
31 St. Cloud	6:00	St. Cloud, MN
February		
1 Mankato St.	5:50	Mankato, MN
7 Augustana	6:00	Omaha
8 SDSU	6:00	Omaha
15 N. Colorado	7:00	Greeley, CO
21 UND	5:00	Grand Forks, ND
22 NDSU	5:50	Fargo, ND
28 S. Dakota	6:00	Omaha
March		
1 Morningside	6:00	Omaha
7-8 NCAA Regionals		
21-22 NCAA Elite Eight		

1996 Lady Mav X-Country/Track & Field

November		
9 NCC/NCAA II Regionals		Omaha
23 Nationals		Arcata, GA
Indoor Track and Field		
January		
18 Ward Haylett Invite		Crete, NE
25 Cornhusker Open		Lincoln, NE
February		
1 Tiger Track Classic		Crete, NE
6 NWU Open		Lincoln, NE
7-8 Sevigne Invite		Lincoln, NE
14 NIAC Meet		Lincoln, NE
23-24 NCC Indoor Champ.		Vermillion, SD
28 ISU Meet		Ames, IA
March		
7-8 Indoor Nationals		Indianapolis
Outdoor Track and Field		
(to come later)		

1996-1997 Omaha Racers Schedule

November		
15 Friday	7:35	Grand Rapids
16 Saturday	7:35	Yakima
19 Tuesday	5:35	Yakima
21 Thursday	7:05	@ Oklahoma City
22 Friday	7:05	@ Shreveport
24 Sunday	6:35	La Crosse
27 Wednesday	7:05	@ Sioux Falls
28 Thursday	7:05	@ Quad City
30 Saturday	7:11	@ Yakima
December		
6 Friday	6:05	@ Fort Wayne
7 Saturday	7:05	@ Oklahoma City
10 Tuesday	7:05	@ La Crosse
12 Thursday	6:30	Fort Wayne
13 Friday	7:30	Quad City
18 Wednesday	6:05	@ Connecticut
20 Friday	7:35	@ La Crosse
22 Sunday	6:30	Oklahoma City
25 Wednesday	6:30	Shreveport
27 Friday	7:30	Rockford
29 Sunday	6:30	Florida
31 Tuesday	8:00	Grand Rapids

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Mavs Look Towards NCC Championship



Melvin McPhaul, UNO's rushing leader, will try to re-establish his game Saturday.

BY BRANDON BROWN

In a season that has so far included lightning, wind and rain, UNO has shown they are willing to take over as conference champions for North Dakota State.

Winning on the road has proven to be an enriching experience for the Mavs. With the Mavs' win over North Dakota State, earlier in the season, UNO showed that they were ready for a winning season.

Two weeks later at North Dakota, the Mavs shocked the North Central Conference by pulling off their second road victory, and robbing the Northern Dakota teams of their opportunities at a shut out season. With those two victories, UNO sent a message through the NCC that they were going to be contenders for a championship season.

Slowly UNO has worked its way through the conference to become tied in a two-way race for first place. The Mavs look to take that spot as South Dakota State, whom they are tied with, plays against Northern Colorado on Saturday. Northern Colorado has always been a tough competitor, and they look to snap a three-game losing streak. If South Dakota State loses on Saturday, and UNO wins, then the Mavs will take first place, and become the number one team in the conference.

Since the Mavs took the field this year, they have had to play through the many doubts and questions of their ability. The Mavs have consistently had to play an underdog type of role for their games. UNO hasn't been this close to a title for 12 years, and now it's time they get what they have been waiting so long for, a title.

With the way that Pat Behrns has turned this

program around, UNO looks to continue this winning tradition for a long time. UNO started the regular season with a record setting 483 yards rushing, and as running back coach Lance Liepold said earlier in the season, "We wanted to rebuild in order to run the football a little more."

Run the Mavs have done, their average per-game rushing was 155 in 1995, this year so far the Mavs have 243 rushing yards per game.

Beating the old records and setting the standard for years to come, the Mavs continue on their winning ways.

Last Saturday against the Augustana Coyotes, UNO rushed for 353, with Ed Thompson leading the Mavs with 225 yards himself running the ball.

Thompson was named NCAA Division II player of the week for the second time this year. With the outstanding performance he brings to the UNO game, Thompson will continue to help lead the Mavs to a much deserved conference championship.

MarTay Jenkins was another top player of the game with 131 yards pass receiving, and his longest was a 69-yard pass that set up the game winning field goal kicked by Paul Kosel. Jenkins has had many great plays this year, and with Ed Thompson passing to him, he will also help to get UNO to their championship.

UNO has the players, UNO has the coach and UNO has the drive needed to take the top honors this year. The last task left up to the Mavs is to shutdown their opponents and continue on their winning path.

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HEALTHLINE NEWS

Test your knowledge of First Aid and life-saving techniques by taking this simple true-false quiz to evaluate whether you would really know what to do if someone was in trouble.

TRUE OR FALSE:

1. The purpose of CPR is to re-start a human heart which has stopped beating.

A. FALSE. Only electrical stimulation (defibrillation) can

inhibit breathing.

A. TRUE. Regardless of what the old wives' tales say, a seizure victim cannot swallow or bite off his or her tongue.

5. It is best not to try driving a heart attack victim to the hospital yourself because you cannot provide first aid to someone if you are behind the wheel.

A. TRUE. An advantage of waiting for the ambulance with a heart attack victim is that EMS personnel can begin medical procedures before the victim even arrives at the hospital.

6. Thumping the sternum of a heart attack victim can externally re-stimulate the heart into beating normally again.

A. FALSE. The "precordial thump" technique has been abandoned for years, because it is seldom effective and tended to cause serious injuries to the tissues of the upper torso.

7. The tourniquet is no longer taught as a technique to control bleeding because it can permanently damage tissues by cutting off their oxygen supply.

A. TRUE. Other effective but less dangerous methods of controlling bleeding are now emphasized instead of the tourniquet.

8. Paramedics differ from E.M.T.s in training and what measures they are allowed to take, such as administering drugs and setting up intravenous equipment.

A. TRUE. In general, paramedics have more training and medical authority than E.M.T.s, although both may be part of an ambulance crew.

9. The most effective way to treat frostbitten tissue is to put the affected area in the hottest water the victim can tolerate.

A. FALSE. Frostbitten tissue is very delicate and cannot tolerate temperature extremes. Modern first aid guidelines

recommend immersing the affected part into water slightly above normal body temperature.

10. Never force fluids if a person is experiencing a sudden or serious illness.

10. TRUE. If the victim of any serious illness cannot take fluids, a more serious problem may be present. Seek medical attention.

11. You can take simple precautions to prevent disease transmission if you must give first aid.

A. TRUE. Even blood-borne diseases such as HIV or tuberculosis can be protected against by using simple protective measures such as barrier masks and latex gloves.

12. You are required by law to provide first aid care if you have received any kind of certification.

A. FALSE. As a non-professional, the decision of whether or not to administer first aid is entirely yours, and you cannot be prosecuted for not helping in an emergency situation.

13. It is highly unlikely that you can be successfully sued for providing first aid care, provided that you do not act beyond your scope of training.

A. TRUE. Good Samaritan laws in each state make it difficult to impossible to successfully sue a bystander who provides first aid.

14. If the victim is cooperative, try to remove an obstruction causing them to choke by gently probing into the airway with your fingers.

A. FALSE. Reaching into a choking victim's mouth may lead to getting unintentionally bitten, or worse, this may more firmly lodge an obstruction and put the victim into more serious danger.

15. Whether or not you must perform chest compressions with rescue breathing or rescue breathing alone, you are using CPR.

A. FALSE. Rescue breathing is a separate procedure, used when heart is beating but the victim is not breathing. CPR refers to chest compressions combined with rescue breathing and is only used on a victim who has no heartbeat.

Test Your CPR IQ

induce a heartbeat if the heart has truly stopped beating. CPR can only circulate blood to keep the tissues alive in hope that defibrillation can take place.

2. If a person is choking, a hard slap on the back will force out the obstruction immediately.

A. FALSE. A hard slap on the back will most likely do nothing at all, or help the object lodge more firmly due to gravity. (Think of what happens when you hit a bottle of ketchup.) The Heimlich maneuver has been proven much more effective.

3. All heart attack victims need CPR.

A. FALSE. CPR is only to be used if the heart has actually stopped beating. Compressing the chest over a beating heart can harm the victim or worsen the situation.

4. If a person is having a seizure, it is no longer encouraged to put any object into the victim's mouth because it may

Influenza Vaccines Help Prevent Flu

BY SAVONDA N. JOHNSON

Coughing, sneezing, fever, nausea,

"Influenza" or "the flu" has been a frequent headache to most people during the winter season. The flu shot was created to help people who were susceptible to getting the illness decrease their chances of getting this upper respiratory infection.

"Up until the 1990s the population that the flu shot was geared to were people who were over the age of 65 or people who had some type of chronic disease," said Betty Cerneich, Director of the Visiting Nurse Health Services in a Tuesday morning telephone interview.

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), people who should get flu shots are people who are 65 years or older, those who live with individuals who have a chronic illness, and any child or adult (especially pregnant women) who has a chronic health problem, such as heart disease, anemia, diabetes, asthma, lung disease, or kidney disease.

The CDC also recommends the flu shot if a person has been admitted to the hospital or has had to have regular doctor visits.

"Flu shots are now more common to the general population because the cost has come down and the pharmaceutical companies have made the shot less potent for individuals with allergies," said Bauch, registered nurse and certified instructor. There is no longer a doctor's order.

There are many different strains of influenza. Strains of flu that people are exposed to vary. In Texas, A/H3N2 and B/H3N2 are the two determinants of what strains are common and can cause the different outbreaks around the world.

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Venture Center Offers CPR

Training, Refresher Courses

BY KARA SCHWEISS

We all know how to dial 911, but what to do until the ambulance arrives?

The Outdoor Venture Center (OVC) will offer courses in CPR and first aid on Nov. 5, 6, and 7. The courses are offered primarily for students at a reduced rate, but non-students are also welcome to participate.

The American Red Cross certifies the instructors, and course participants in turn receive certification recognized by the American Red Cross. Because the CPR certificate must be renewed annually, the OVC offers the courses every two months for the convenience of the participants, OVC Director Joel Bauch said.

"People's certificates run out at odd times," he said.

The volunteer leaders of activities associated with the OVC are required to have CPR and first aid certification. Bauch said the OVC originally offered the training solely to its instructors but broadened availability when students indicated strong interest in taking the courses and suggested they be offered to everyone. Because the OVC owns the mannequins and other necessary equipment, and because the participants borrow rather than buy the course books, the OVC rates are less expensive than many other public courses, Bauch said.

Separate courses for adult CPR, infant and child CPR, and first aid are offered, but adult CPR certification is needed to take only first aid, according to American Red Cross guidelines. Anyone can take all three courses for complete certification, Bauch said.

According to American Red Cross training materials, first aid encompasses treatment for injuries and sudden illnesses. CPR training teaches rescuers what to do if a victim's breathing or heartbeat stops. Because the heart and respiration rates of children and infants differ from adults, and because of tremendous differences in size, CPR techniques differ for infants, children, and adults, and are certified separately.

Infant CPR applies to newborn to 1-year-old victims. If the infant is very large for his or her age, or if the rescuer is very small, the techniques used for children can be applied. Child CPR is used for victims 1 to 8 years old, but this again can vary according to size. Adult CPR is generally used for victims 9 years or older.

CPR COURSES

Adult CPR-

Tuesday, Nov. 5

Infant CPR-

Wednesday, Nov. 6

First Aid-

Thursday, Nov. 7

The techniques for each age group differs to accommodate physiological differences between children and adults. For example, infants have tiny hearts which beat quickly, so the chest compressions used in infant CPR are rapid and very shallow (requiring only the strength of two fingers). An adult heart is quite large in comparison, so adult CPR compressions are up to two and one-half inches deep, requiring the strength of both hands and arms plus the weight of the upper body. CPR for children uses techniques somewhere in between.

As part of CPR training, participants learn rescue breathing, which is necessary when the victim has a beating heart, but is not breathing. First aid for choking is taught for all age groups as well.

Bauch said the courses not only teach what to do in an emergency, but also emphasize prevention, which keeps the OVC activities safe.

"We teach our leaders so much about prevention, we have very rarely had to deal with anything more than minor boo-boos," he said.

Anyone interested in signing up for one or more of the upcoming courses must register in person at the OVC offices in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building, Room 100.

Study Reveals Higher Risk Factors for Urinary Tract Infections

BY BETH WARNER

Approximately one in five women will develop urinary tract infection (UTI) during her lifetime. First time sufferers of UTI are most likely to be in the 18- to 25-year-old age group, according to a press release by the Bayer Corporation. Annually, more than one million women suffer from cystitis, a common UTI, which causes a strong urge to urinate, frequency or difficulty in urinating and abdominal and/or pelvic pain.

There are three types of UTIs. Cystitis is a bacterial infection of the urinary bladder; urethritis is an infection of the urethra that may occur the same time as cystitis; and pyelonephritis, a serious kidney infection, occurs when bacteria travels up the ureters to the kidneys.

A recent study published in the New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM) found that frequent sexual intercourse and use of spermicides increase the risk of UTIs in women. Furthermore, sexually-active women experience UTIs more frequently, on average. Researchers calculate that an unmarried 24-year-old student who has intercourse three times a week faces a three-fold higher risk of UTI than one who does not have sex. Her risk is seven times higher if she uses a diaphragm and spermicide each time she has sexual intercourse.

Carmen Kheller, an RN at the Urology Clinic PC in Fremont said that the symptoms of urinary tract infection include frequency of urination and sometimes burning with urination.

Lynn, an RN at the Methodist Richard Young Answer Line who did not give her last name, said a person with UTI may also have a sudden urge to urinate, and may experience pain in the stomach, lower back and in the flank area, the area be-

tween the waist and the top of the hip. A person "may see their urine as cloudy and more concentrated and it may be blood-tinged," she said.

Women are more likely to get the infection. Men also get UTI, but they are not at as high a risk as women, Kheller said. Women are at a higher risk because a woman's urethra is only one and a half inches long, so a woman is more prone to contamination.

Lynn said another factor contributing to increased risk of UTI are the products women use. "A lot of women take baths and with bubble baths, those can sometimes be an irritant." Additionally, she said feminine hygiene sprays and douches can be irritants.

Kheller said people can take steps to avoid UTI by drinking adequate amounts of fluid. People should drink eight glasses of liquid each day, "we prefer water or juice," she said.

Additionally, women should practice good personal hygiene and empty the bladder when needed and after sex, Kheller said.

"Do not wait a long period to empty the bladder," Lynn agrees.

Lynn said women should empty the bladder before having intercourse and empty it again within 15 minutes after.

"Because if you're not emptying the bladder, there is more

chance of bacteria." Friction during sex can also increase irritation, she said.

Lynn said additionally women should "wipe from front to back" to help decrease their chances of contracting UTI.

"People have a tendency to wipe from back to front, that brings up bacteria," said Lynn.

She said people should avoid coffee, tea and alcohol. "Alcohol won't give it to you, but it might cause more frequent urination."

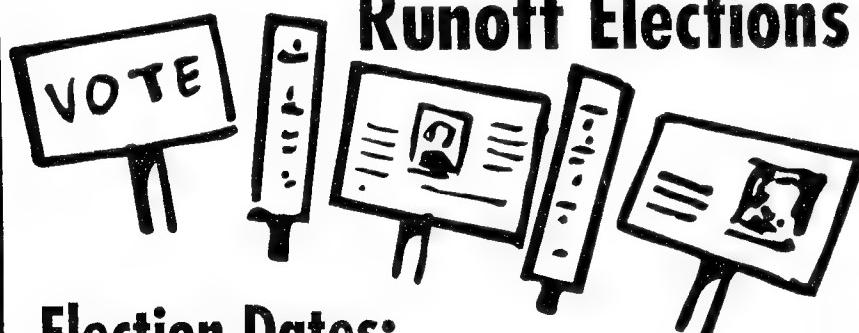
Lynn said generally when a person has UTI, a physician will prescribe antibiotics, she said a seven- to 10-day treatment is standard, although recently three- to five-day treatments have been available.

Lynn said a person who has UTI won't necessarily contract the infection again, "unless you do the same thing over and over."

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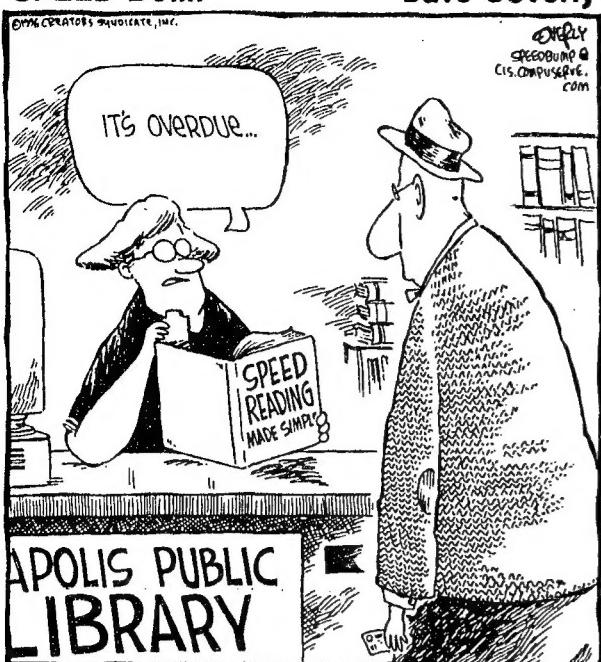
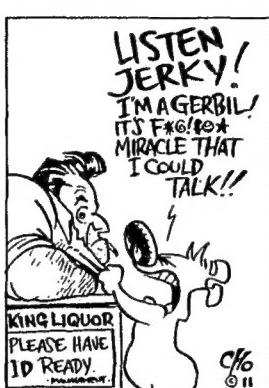
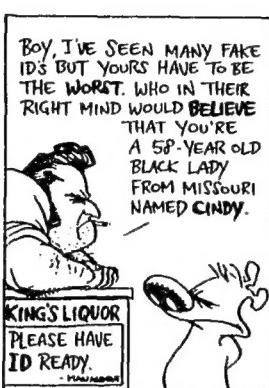
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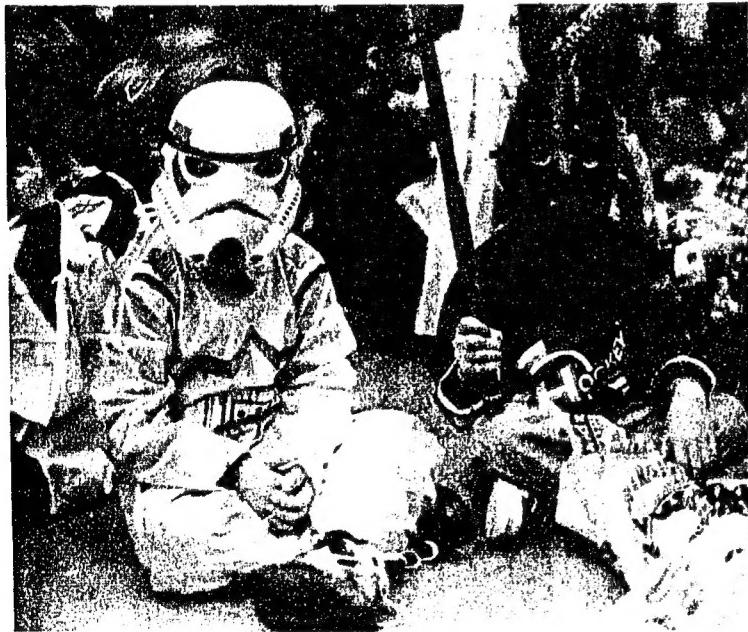


Kaitlin Jens, 22 months in photo at left, models her version of a clown face.



Three year old (above) T.K. Neube's Batman mask blocks his vision, so he must wait for a cue so he can begin trick-or-treating.

--photos by Kara Schweiss--



Stormtrooper Nathan Wymer, 4, and Goalie Garrett Skinne, 5, try their best to look threatening.

Senior Javine Horani, Gypsy Vackie Stone and Mouse Norico Mucano find some treats in the Student Services offices in the Student Center.



Two-year-old Tinkerbell Alyssa Rhodd (above) gracefully accepts a lollipop while Trick-or-Treating in the Student Center Thursday.



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Wednesday B League	
Mulcahy vs Monkeywrench	0-0
Baseball Boyz vs Theta Chi	66-54

Sunday A League

Team K-Mart vs Elevators	71-66
Sex Appeal vs Scurvy Naves	50-36
Bluechips vs Damn Tha Man	71-46

Sunday B League

X-Mavs vs Townsend	110-81
Craniums vs Fire & Forget	0-0
B-Ware vs Amocbas	48-35

RAQUETBALL

Monday A League	
Plendl vs Hanna	0-0
Henrich vs Dondlinger	0-0

Monday B League

Rogers vs Baker	0-0
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6x6 FLOOR HOCKEY

Wednesday A League	
Pike A vs Lambda Chi	8-0
Theta Chi vs Pike Pledges	0-0
Sig Eps vs TKE	4-1

Wednesday B League	
Sheepherders vs Zeta	0-0
Theta Chi vs Hockey Monkeys	0-0
The Puds vs Sig Eps	12-1

6x6 VOLLEYBALL

Co-Rec A League	
Liketus vs Club Nektar	0-0
Johnson vs Faculty Staff	0-0

Co-Rec B League	
Nameless vs FA #1	0-0
Misfits vs Spiked Punch	2-0

Women's League	
Zeta vs Hits-N-Misses	0-0
Chi Omega vs Ace	2-1

6x6 INDOOR SOCCER

Co-Rec League	
Nads vs R & S	1-0
Zeta Chi vs Pelle	2-0

Fraternity A League

Sig Eps vs Cerveza	0-0
Pike "A" vs TKE	6-1
Theta Chi vs Lambda Chi	0-0

"Open" League

Big Round Balls	vs Sheepherders
Sig Ep "B" vs Skin Flutes	0-0
Hot Chicken Wings vs Tigers	7-4

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Monday, NOV. 4th	Tuesday, Nov. 5th
10-11 am	noon-1 pm
noon-1 pm	5-5:15 pm (Basic Step)
2:30-3:30 pm	5:15-6:15 pm
5:15-6:15 pm	7:15-8:15 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 6th	Thursday, Nov. 7th
10-11 am	noon - 1 pm
noon-1 pm	5-5:15 pm (Basic Step)
2:30-3:30 pm	5:15-6:15 pm
5:15-6:15 pm	7:15-8:15 pm

Friday, Nov.
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noon-1 pm
2:30-3:30 pm
5:15-6:16 pm

Saturday, Nov.
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9-10 am

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Wednesday, Nov. 6th
6pm - HPER Rm 109

Aerobic Club Training
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Nov. 5th 8:15pm - 9:30pm
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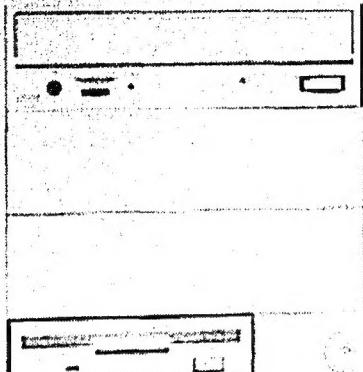
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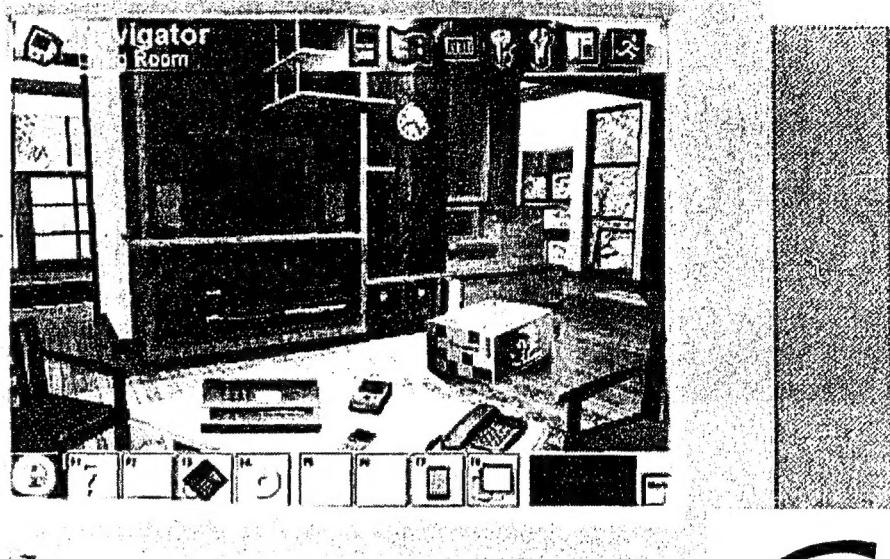
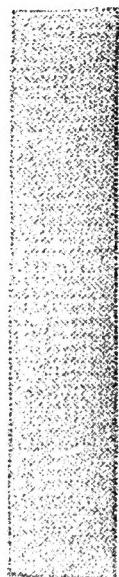
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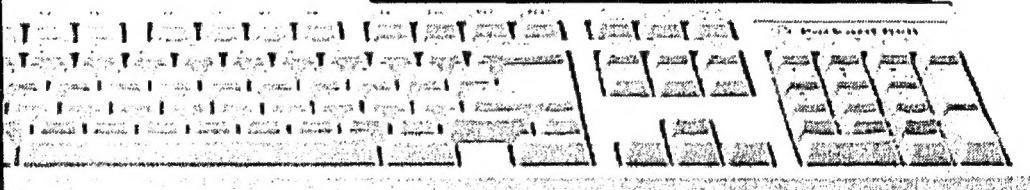
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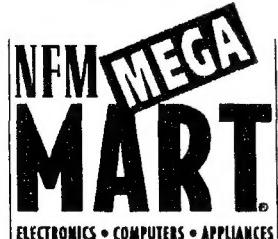


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